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1. The Soviet Administration of Land Mecklenburg, located on Schlossstrasse, Schwerin, includes the following:

Chief of SMA: Major General Trufanov
Chief of SMA for Trade and Supply: Prilutski, civilian employee
Chief of SMA for Agricultural Questions: Colonel Mikhailov
Chief of the Political Section: Colonel Serrebrizski (Serebrenski)
Chief of the Economics Section: Major Nebesni

2. Land Mecklenburg is divided into three Bezirks, each with a komendatura:

Bezirk Wismar, including Kreis Schwerin, Hagemann, Ludwigslust, Schönberg, Wismar, and Parchim; komendatura headed by Colonel Niemkov
Bezirk Güstrow, including Kreis Güstrow, Warren, Malchin, Rostock, and Neubrandenburg; komendatura headed by Colonel Balagesyan.
Bezirk Greifswald, including Kreis Rügen, Stralsund, Ueckermünde, Greifswald, Anklam, Ueckermünde, and Demmin; komendatura headed by Colonel Kolesnikov.

3. There are Kreis komendatury to the strength of sixty to eighty men in the Kreis. The staff in Grimmen, for example, is composed as follows:

Kreis Commandant, Lt. Colonel Tishenkov
Deputy Commandant and Officer for Economic Questions, Lt. Colonel Shlikov
Specialist for Economic Questions, Captain Mashkov
Political Officers, Major Roshkov and Major Plienov
School Questions, Lt. Colonel Saitzov
Officer for Mobilization, 1st Lt. Davitic
Financial Questions, 1st Lt. Bronosse

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The former Kreis commandant, Lt. Colonel Ivanov, was recalled to Moscow because of fraudulent financial accounts and the scandalous conduct of his former political officer, Lt. Shukol. Although the present commandant arrived in Grimmen in February, Ivanov did not depart until 6 May 1947.

4. The Kreis komendatura of Schönberg, located in August-Bebel-Strasse, is commanded by Lt. Colonel Denilenkov. His staff includes 1st Lt. Ryabzhun, head of the political section, a professor of the Lenin School in Moscow, and Major Shorrin for agricultural questions. The Kreis MVD is commanded by Captain Suchenkov; its headquarters is the former police court in Amtsstrasse.
5. The government of Land Mecklenburg is called Landesregierung Mecklenburg. It consists of the minister president and seven state ministries, bearing the designation Landesregierung des Staatsministeriums. Each ministry is designated as Landesregierung Mecklenburg, Ministerium für ... The minister-president and each state minister signs for his ministry with his name and office designation; the deputies of the president and ministers sign with the notation "Representing" (In Vertretung or IV); and all other signatories use the notation "By order of" (Im Auftrage or IA). The right to sign documents is established, according to the line laid down by the minister president, by each state minister for his own jurisdiction.
6. The members of the government of Land Mecklenburg are:
 - a. State Ministry: Minister President Höcker, SPD, with the sections
 - State Chancellery: Ministerialdirektor Sieber, SED
 - Legal Section: Ministerialdirektor Heinrich, CDU
 - Control and Information: Regierungsrat Kollwitz, KPD
 - Statistics: Ministerialdirektor Rebschläger, SED (formerly SPD)
 - b. Ministry for Administration: Minister Warnke, with the sections
 - Communal Section (Kommunalabteilung): Ministerialdirektor Dr. Ballerstett, SED
 - Personnel Section: Ministerialdirektor Kundermann, KPD
 - Political Section: Chief of Landespolizei Halle, KPD
 - Planning: Ministerialdirektor Dornberg, KPD
 - Office for Property Investment and Sequestration: Dr. Spreche, KP, previously in the Free Germany Committee.
 - c. Ministry for Finance: Minister Strasser, LDP
 - d. Ministry for People's Education: Minister Grünberg, KPD, with the sections
 - Culture: Ministerialdirektor Simon, KPD, previously Free Germany
 - People's Education: Ministerialdirektor Manthel, KPD
 - e. Ministry for Economy: Minister Witte, CDU, with the sections
 - Industry: Ministerialdirektor Löhr, KPD
 - Traffic: Dr. Ströhling, SPD (former Nazi)
 - Agricultural Administration: Schadow, KPD
 - f. Ministry for Trade and Supply: Minister Starosson, SPD (honest), with sections
 - Trade and Supply: Ministerialdirektor Siebert, SPD
 - Land Mobilization Office: Dr. Becker, SPD
 - Fuel Supply: Minke

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All the responsible men in the ministry are KPD members.)

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- g. Ministry for Social Welfare: Minister Burmeister, CDU, with the sections
- Labor and Social Care: Head of the Labor Office, Rosenträger, KPD
 - Health Matters: Ministerialdirektor Dr. Redetzki (no party)
 - Resettlement Office: Ministerialdirektor Brinken, KPD

h. Ministry for Justice (final appointment conditional)

7. The Kreise of Land Mecklenburg, totaling twenty-one, have the following councillors:

Anklam: Hövelsmann, KPD	Rostock: Kruse, SPD
Dammin: Schwanz, SPD	Rügen: Hütner, SPD
Greifswald: Fresse, SPD	Schönberg: Schreiber, CDU
Grimmen: Unknown	Schwerin: Reichardt, KPD
Güstrow: Sorgenicht, KPD	Stralsund: Koberz, KPD
Hagenow: Fleischer, SPD	Ueckermünde: Mrs. Maria Brink, KPD
Ludwigslust: Schult, KPD	Usedom: Jöhren, CDU? (fiction leader of LDP in the Mecklenburg Landtag?)
Malchin: Unknown	Warren: Kaiser, SPD
Neubrandenburg: Giese, SPD	Wismar: Brinkmann, SPD
Neustrelitz: Piotrowski, KPD	
Parchim: August Hasse, KPD	
Radow: Unknown	

8. The Kreise together form District Councils (Kreistage) with fifty deputies and eight Kreisrats, of which the chairman is the Landrat. The seven additional Kreis Councillors are attached to the ministries representing Internal Administration, Culture and People's Education, Trade and Supply, Agriculture, Economy, Finance, and Social Welfare. These are constituted similarly throughout Land Mecklenburg.

9. The Landrat Offices follow a structural plan and have 220 personnel, divided as follows:

a. Direction	3 persons
b. General Section	15 persons
c. Personnel Section	1 persons
d. Section for Communal Economy	persons
e. Section for Culture and Health Affairs	persons
f. Section for Culture and People's Education	0 persons
g. Agricultural Section	30 persons
Direction	4 persons
Planning and Statistics Dept.	9 persons
Economy and Planning	13 persons
Veterinary and Stock Breeding Dept.	6 persons
h. Section for Business and Industry	9 persons
i. Section for Trade and Supply	39 persons
Direction	4 persons
Trade Department	12 persons
Mobilization Department	16 persons
Food Economy Department	5 persons
Fishery Affairs	2 persons
j. Financial Section	70 persons
Direction	4 persons
Tax Department	29 persons
Budget Department	7 persons
Price Control	8 persons
Treasury	19 persons
Dept. for Communal Economy	3 persons

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k. Section for Social Provisions	6 persons
l. Registrar's Office	2 persons
m. Resettlement Section	7 persons
n. Section for Traffic	4 persons

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The total of the figures here given is only 220.
Possibly the remaining seven persons are the
Kreisrats.)

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